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1. Since early December 1950 there have been rumors of a proposal made by the Chinese Embassy in Rangoon that a party of about 20 local Chinese students should be sent to Peking for special training in propaganda methods by the Chinese Communist Party. So far as is known the following have been nominated to be included in the party:

TING Shou-chih* (丁守之)

a teacher at the Burma Chinese
High School, Kermendine, Rangoon

WANG Shinn-ji

a student from Mergui

NG Chin-chiang)

all students at the Burma
Chinese High School, Kermendine,
Rangoon

TSE Fang-yen)

LI Fang-yen)

CHEN Chi-tung)

2. The delay in dispatching the party is reportedly the result of financial problems and a difference of opinion between the Chinese Embassy in Rangoon and the China Democratic League (Burma) (CDL(B)). A special meeting was held at the residence of the Chinese Ambassador on 5 February 1951 to discuss the question.

3. Present at this meeting were the following:

LI Ping (李平), Chinese Consul General (Chairman)

HSIAO Keng (蕭岡), 2nd Secretary

TAN Kiet-hock (aka CHEN Chieh-fu 陳杰伏), CDL(B) member

C. Ssu-hin (aka TSHU She-man, aka HSI Ssu-min 徐西民), CDL(B) Adviser

B. F. CHEN (aka CHEN Pai-chiang 陳白澄), English Secretary of the CDL(B)

KHOO Teng-fu (aka CHIU Teng-fu 邱登富), President of the Chinese Shop
Employees Association

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YAP Kyin-eng (aka YEH Chen-jung 葉振榮), President of the CDL(B)

4. B.F. CHEN suggested that the students already selected should be sent to Peiping as soon as possible, but TAN Kiet-hock objected, arguing that great care was needed in selecting students who were to go; those who had been selected had not yet been properly screened, their numbers fell short of the requirement; and there was also the financial difficulty. The proposal, he argued, should therefore be postponed for the time being. The meeting accepted TAN Kiet-hock's view, only HSIAO Kang supporting B.F. CHEN's proposals.
5. KWOO Teng-fu then moved that the question of sending students to China should be considered again after the Second Political Consultative Assembly in Peiping.** This motion was unanimously approved.
6. It is reported that the students will probably attend the Overseas Chinese Training Camp (華僑訓練營) in Peiping and that the course will last from six months to a year.

25X1X * ~~SECRET/CONTROL~~ Comment. TING Shou-chih is reportedly a member of the Chinese Communist Party who came to Burma via Yunnan in August or September 1950 under arrangements made by B.F. CHEN. There is no further information on the students.

25X1A ** ~~SECRET/CONTROL~~ Comment. This Second Political Consultative Assembly was reportedly scheduled for March 1951. However, there is no evidence that it has met yet.

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